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USER MANUAL

LLS100 - LEVEL SWITCH



No. LSM112010 Rev 1

Safety Information

1. Product Description

1.1 Features

- Miniature design conductivity level switch
- No moving parts
- All wetted parts stainless steel 316 and Teflon
- Alternating potential electronics
- Single Pole Double Throw (SPDT) relay contacts
- Hermetically sealed vibration resistant construction
- 1 − 3 second time delay
- For high or low relay action
- For conductive liquids in metallic or non-metallic tanks

1.2 Function and Configuration

The LLS100 level sensors use conductive measuring principle for level detection of electrically conductive liquids.

Function

When the probe is covered by electrically conductive medium, it detects the product resistance. The circuit is closed and a low alternating current flows from the probe, which is measured by the integral electronics and converted into a switching command. The switching signal is determined by the length or mounting of the probe.

Configuration

The LLS100 is a miniature integrated design complete with switching electronics, enclosure, fitting and a probe. The electronics are fully potted in the housing. The output is dry contacts SPDT relay. The LLS100 is available with lead wires or or M12 connector.

1.3 Technical Data

Electrical

1.4 Dimensions

Supply Voltage :	12-32 VDC
Output :	SPDT relay, NO or NC
Maximum Load Charge:	1A @ 30 VDC
	0.3A @ 125 VAC
Dampening :	1-3 seconds (standard)
Sensitivity:	10 K ohms (resistive fluids)
Circuit Protection :	Reverse Voltage
Probe Output :	1 mA max. 1 VAC max. @ 5 kHz
Operating temperature & Storage temperature :	-40 °C to 85 °C (- 40 °F to 185 °F)

Mechanical

Wetted Material :	316 SS and Teflon
Mounting fitting :	1/4 " NPT std., others available
Process Temperature :	100 °C max. (212 °F)
Process Pressure :	100 psi max. (6.9 bar)
Electrical Termination :	Lead wire or M12 male receptacle
Moisture Protection :	IP67 (NEMA 6 equivalent)



2. Mounting Instructions

Note: Unpack the instrument carefully. Inspect all components for damage. If any damage is found, please notify Intempco Controls Ltd. or its representative as soon as possible prior to installation.

The LLS100 level switch should be located, if possible, for easy access for service. Sensor enclosure should not be exposed to ambient temperatures below -40°C (-40°F) or above 85°C (185°F). It is preferable the switch is not installed in proximity to high voltage wires or other sources of high electrical noise.

2.1 Conductive Probes

For conductive liquids, LLS100 uses bare stainless steel probe. Standard length of the probe is 1" (2.5cm). The probe length can be customer specified for the level of liquid desired to be measured.

2.2 LLS100 Installation

General

Standard probe entry into a tank is via 1/4" NPT opening but other fitting sizes are available. When mounting the level switch it should be noted that the rod does not touch the vessel wall.

TO SCREW IN SWITCH (THREADED ENTRY) USE WRENCH ON HEX ONLY. Do not use a pipe wrench on the body of the level switch.

Mounting in Metallic Vessel

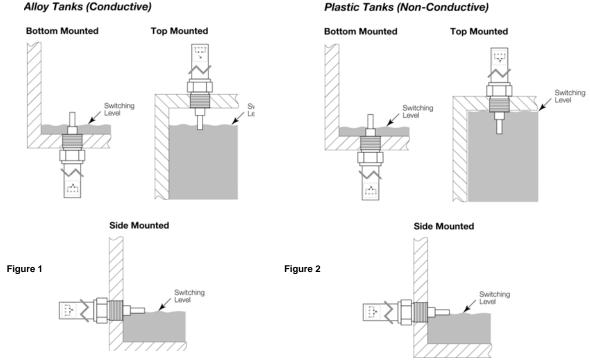
The reference ground for this installation is typically the metal wall of the vessel, especially for top mounted probes. Use conductive sealant, such as copper on NPT threads, if possible. When using Teflon sealant, make sure there is a **GOOD ELECTRICAL CONNECTION BETWEEN THE VESSEL AND THE FITTING** of the switch. Use ground or conductivity tester (ohm meter). For horizontally or bottom mounted probes, the reference ground is not as important since the change in switch output can be achieved by liquid being in contact with the probe and the switch fitting. However, the sensitivity is higher if the grounding is good between the vessel and the fitting, and therefore the operation of the switch is more dependable (see Figure 1).

Mounting in Non-Metallic Vessel

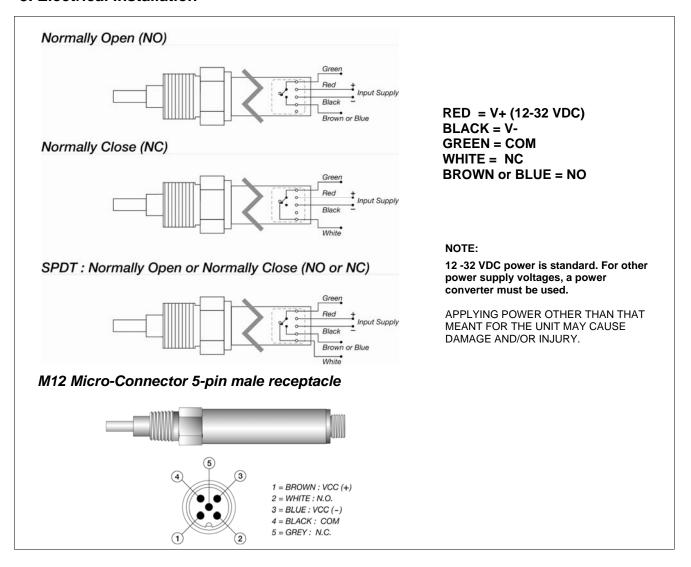
The reference ground for this installation is the fitting of the switch. The circuit is closed when the conductive liquid is in contact with both the probe and the fitting. A horizontally mounted rod type probe should be mounted so that the lower face of the probe is parallel to and at the level of the desired alarm point (see Figure 2).

Location

Avoid installing rod type probes in nozzles or recesses where material can accumulate and cause false readings. Also avoid installing the LSS100 close to agitators or moving objects in the vessel.



3. Electrical Installation



4.0 Startup and Calibration

4.1 Calibration

The LLS100 is factory per-set and requires no further calibration

4.2 Power-up

After the switch has been installed as per the installation procedure in section 3, power up the unit.

4.3 Single point level switch calibration

The LLS100 test calibration procedures require that the liquid level in the vessel may be varied.

NOTE: FOR HORIZONTAL PROBES, CALIBRATION SHOULD BE DONE REQUIRING THE PROBE TO BE COMPLETELY IMMERSED IN THE MATERIAL AT THE DESIRED ALARM POINT. Follow the steps below.

- 1. Bring the level in the vessel below the probe.
- 2. Raise the level in the vessel to completely cover the probe.
- 3. The RELAY should change state, indicating that the switch is working properly.
- 4. This completes the calibration procedure.

NOTE: FOR VERTICAL PROBES, CALIBRATION TEST SHOULD BE DONE WITH THE LEVEL JUST IN CONTACT WITH THE PROBE. Follow the steps below.

- 1. Bring the level in the vessel below the probe.
- 2. Raise the level in the vessel to be just in contact with the probe.
- 3. The RELAY should change state, indicating that the switch is working properly
- 4. This completes the calibration procedure.

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- 2. Model and serial number of the product under warranty, and
- 3. Repair instructions and/or specific problems relative to the product.

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